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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

GROUP: 1621

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SERIAL NO: 10/553,993

EXAMINER: Valenrod, Yevgeny

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FOR: IODINATED ORGANIC SUBSTANCES OF LOW MOLECULAR MASS AND
PROCESS FOR PREPARING THEM

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 7, 2008, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 17-25, for examination.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The claims have been divided into Groups as follows:

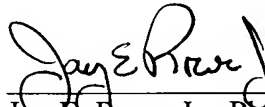
- Group I: Claim(s) 17-25, drawn to a process for preparing one or more iodinated organic substances with molecular mass of less than 2000.
- Group II: Claim(s) 26-33, drawn to mixture comprising at least 2 iodinated organic substances, and also drawn to iodinated substances according to the formulae in the claims.
- Group III: Claim(s) 34-36, drawn to a process for preparing a polymer by free-radical polymerization.

Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 17-25, drawn to a process for preparing one or more iodinated organic substances with molecular mass of less than 2000, for examination.

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is now in condition for examination on the merits, and early notice thereof is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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